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## PETITION FOR FIVE MONTH EXTENSION OF THE PERIOD FOR FILING AN APPEAL BRIEF

An Office action was issued October 27, 2005. In response, a Notice of Appeal After Final Rejection, and a Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review were filed and received by the Office on January 10, 2006. A Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review was mailed on February 28, 2006 ("the Panel Decision Notice"). The time period for filing an appeal brief in the present application expires on March 28, 2006, two months after the mailing date of the Panel Decision Notice. The period for filing the appeal brief may be extended up to five months to August 28, 2006, according to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

Applicant respectfully petitions for this five month extension, extending the time period for filing the appeal brief to August 28, 2006. The fee for this petition should be withdrawn from the undersigned's deposit account no. 03-1129.

Any questions concerning this petition may be directed to the undersigned.

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